

CLAIMS

Therefore, the following is claimed:

1. A method for improving communication of video data in a communication system comprising the steps of:
- associating a plurality of video data with a dominant image;
  - associating a plurality of video data with a background image;
  - allocating a first percentage of available data transmission capacity with the plurality of video data associated with the dominant image;
  - allocating a second percentage of available data transmission capacity with the plurality of video data associated with the background image, such that the plurality of video data associated with the dominant image is transferred at a relatively higher data transmission rate than the plurality of video data associated with the background image.
2. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of increasing the redundancy of the plurality of video data associated with the dominant image.
3. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of concealing at least one error of the video data associated with the background image by replacing data associated with the at least one error with corresponding video data received at an earlier time.